



TRAFFIC ADVISORY

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**State Route 29/Sonoma Boulevard-Vallejo
Intermittent Lane Closures
Installation of New Pedestrian Warning Lights
May-July 2017**

SOLANO COUNTY – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has started installation of several new pedestrian warning lights and new and brighter street lights on State Route 29 (SR-29) which is also known as Sonoma Boulevard in Vallejo.

Beacon Installation

The new pedestrian warning lights which are similar to traffic lights will be installed at four SR-29/Sonoma Boulevard intersections at Alabama, Illinois, Capitol and Ohio Streets. Caltrans has worked closely with the City of Vallejo in implementing the new beacons to increase safety along busy SR-29/Sonoma Boulevard.

How do the beacons work?

Pedestrians press a button before entering a crosswalk which activates the beacon. It then flashes yellow. The beacon then flashes red which alerts motorists to stop. Unlike signal lights, beacons do not go green. Instead, they go dark after pedestrians cross. This allows motorists to proceed when no pedestrians are present.

New street lights will also be installed at 10 intersections along 2-miles of SR-29 between Illinois and Cherry Streets. Crews will also repaint crosswalks.

SR-29 Sonoma Boulevard-Alternating Lane Closures:

To ensure public and worker safety, various lanes of SR-29/Sonoma Boulevard will be closed intermittently between Illinois and Cherry Streets during the daytime installation work. The project will be tentatively completed by July 31, 2017. Motorists are advised to always drive with caution through construction zones.

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